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CBS Finds No Evidence Of JFK Plot

CBS News, making its second inquiry in eight years into the assassination of President Kennedy, said yesterday it couldn't find evidence of a conspiracy in Kennedy's slaying or of the involvement of "other gunmen" in the killing.

It said "the evidence indicates" that Lee Harvey Oswald, whom the Warren Commission held acted alone in slaying Kennedy, "probably did" fatally shoot Kennedy in Dallas Tex., on Nov. 22, 1963.

However, it said whether Oswald "acted entirely alone has not really been established and may never be"

CBS said "history will be less confused" if new Congressional investigations are made into information it said was withheld from the Warren Commission by the CIA and the FBI.

But it emphasized that it "could find no evidence linking either agency to the actual crime" or that any foreign government or individuals other than Oswald were involved in Kennedy's slaying.

Suppressed Interview

CBS also showed a previously unaired interview with former President Johnson in which he said he hadn't completely discounted the possibility of "international connections" in the Kennedy assassination.

His doubts were expressed during a 1969 filmed interview with CBS newsman Walter Cronkite. CBS withheld the segment after Johnson insisted it not be broadcast for "national security" reasons, the network said.

The CBS conclusions are made in two hour-long shows the network plans to televise tonight and tomorrow. Transcripts of the programs were made public yesterday by CBS.

In 1967 CBS studied the Warren Report in four hour-long programs and said the commission's finding that Oswald acted alone probably offered the best explanation "based on available evidence."

However, in a poll 45 per cent of those contacted felt a new investigation should be made of Kennedy's slaying, while 44 per cent felt none should be made and 11 per cent had no opinion.

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